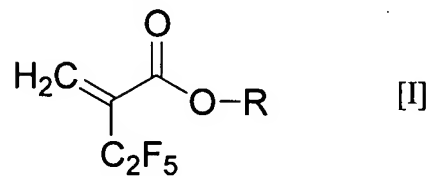


## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) An  $\alpha$ -pentafluoroethyl acrylic acid derivative represented by the general formula [I]:



{wherein R represents a hydrogen atom, a non-substituted or substituted aromatic ring, or a straight or branched alkyl group having 1 to 20 carbon(s) which may have a cyclic moiety optionally substituted with at least one substituent,

wherein the substituent is selected from the group consisting of (halogen atom, hydroxyl group, straight or branched alkoxy group having 1 to 10 carbon(s) which may have a cyclic moiety, and non-substituted or substituted aromatic group,)}.

- 2-3. (Cancelled)